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- (3) If the assignee releases the contractor from an assignment of claims under a contract, the contractor, in order to establish a right to receive payment of the balance due under the contract, must file a written notice of release together with a true copy of the release of assignment instrument with the addressees noted in 32.802(e).
- (4) The addressee of a notice of release of assignment or the official acting on behalf of that addressee shall acknowledge receipt of the notice.

[48 FR 42328, Sept. 19, 1983, as amended at 51 FR 2665, Jan. 17, 1986; 52 FR 9039, Mar. 20, 1987; 62 FR 237, Jan. 2, 1997]

## 32.806 Contract clauses.

- (a)(1) The contracting officer shall insert the clause at 52.232-23, Assignment of Claims, in solicitations and contracts expected to exceed the micro-purchase threshold, unless the contract will prohibit the assignment of claims (see 32.803(b)). The use of the clause is not required for purchase orders. However, the clause may be used in purchase orders expected to exceed the micro-purchase threshold, that are accepted in writing by the contractor, if such use is consistent with agency policies and regulations.
- (2) If a no-setoff commitment has been authorized (see FAR 32.803(d)), the contracting officer shall use the clause with its Alternate I.
- (b) The contracting officer shall insert the clause at 52.232–24, Prohibition of Assignment of Claims, in solicitations and contracts for which a determination has been made under agency regulations that the prohibition of assignment of claims is in the Government's interest.

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### Subpart 32.9—Prompt Payment

SOURCE:  $53 \ FR \ 3690$ , Feb. 8, 1988, unless otherwise noted.

### 32.900 Scope of subpart.

This subpart prescribes policies, procedures, and clauses for implementing

Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-125, *Prompt Payment.* [54 FR 13333, Mar. 31, 1989]

### 32.901 Applicability.

This subpart applies to all Government contracts (including contracts at or below the simplified acquisition threshold), except contracts with payment terms and late payment penalties established by other governmental authority (e.g., tariffs).

[60 FR 34759, July 3, 1995, as amended at 61 FR 39198, July 26, 1996]

#### 32.902 Definitions.

Contract financing payment, as used in this subpart, means a Government disbursement of monies to a contractor under a contract clause or other authorization prior to acceptance of supplies or services by the Government. Contract financing payments include advance payments, progress payments based on cost under the clause at 52.232-16, Progress Payments, progress payments based on a percentage or stage of completion (see 32.102(e)(1)) other than those made under the clause at 52.232-5, Payments Under Fixed-Price Construction Contracts or the clause at 52-232-10, Payments Under Fixed-Price Architect-Engineer Contracts, and interim payments on costtype contracts. Contract financing payments do not include invoice payments or payments for partial deliveries.

Day, as used in this subpart, means calendar day, including weekends and holidays, unless otherwise indicated. (However, see 32.903(e)(3) concerning payments due on Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays.)

Designated billing office, as used in this subpart, means the office or person (governmental or nongovernmental) designated in the contract where the contractor first submits invoices and contract financing requests. This might be the Government disbursing office, contract administration office, office accepting the supplies delivered or services performed by the contractor, contract audit office, or a nongovernmental agent. In some cases, different offices might be designated to receive invoices and contract financing requests.